

## **“E.M.F.” Press Release**

**A major property at King County International Airport will be cleaned up and returned to productive use following demolition of a World War II-era building owned by the Boeing Company.**

**Clean-up of the site for the building known as the “Electronic Manufacturing Facility” will free-up nearly six acres of prime property adjacent to the airport terminal near Airport Way. Final use of the site will be determined through a Strategic Master Plan now being prepared to guide the future of the airport.**

**The building was originally built for war-time production of B-17 and B-29 “Flying Fortress” bombers, but it became obsolete in recent years and was used for storage.**

**Boeing held a lease to use the site until the year 2030, but agreed to terminate the lease after reaching an agreement with the county to share costs for demolition and clean-up.**

**The lease required King County to take ownership of the building when the lease expired. Under the termination agreement, King County agreed to pay for demolition of the building, and Boeing agreed to pay the estimated cost of \$2 to \$4 million to clean the site.**

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**\*Demolition and clean-up of the Electronic Manufacturing Facility will make it possible to return a major airport property to productive use.**

**\* The clean-up project was made possible through an agreement between the Boeing Company and King County.**

**\* Boeing originally built the EMF for airplane production during World War II, using a site it leased from the county just south of the airport terminal. Under the company's long-term lease, King County was required to take ownership of the building when the lease expired in the year 2030.**

**\* Under the termination agreement, King County agreed to pay for demolishing the building while Boeing agreed to pay for cleaning up soil contamination. King County appropriated \$1.8 million for the demolition while Boeing's costs were estimated at \$2 to \$4 million.**

**\* The clean-up effort will free up nearly six acres of prime airport land adjacent to the terminal. Final use of the property will be determined through the Strategic Master Plan now being prepared to guide the future of the airport.**